THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAV RAO SCINDIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The survey revealed that maximum number of complaints were with regard to punctuality, cleanliness of toilets and flight information etc. In response to the complaints, special attention is being given on these aspects for further improvement.

Linking Chitrakot by air routes

32. SHRI SURENDRA SINGH THAKUR: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there was a proposal to link Chitrakot and Ayodhya by air routes to attract the tourist;

(b) if so, what steps have been taken by Government in this regard;

(c) whether Government would link Chitrakot with the existing Khajuraho routes to increase the tourist inflow at Chitrakot; and

(d) if so, by what time?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAV RAO SCINDIA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Development of Tourist Facilities in Madhya Pradesh

33. SHRI SURENDRA SINGH THAKUR: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that most of the tourist spots and places of Madhya Pradesh are situated in areas not connected with the rails;

(b) if so, what steps have been taken by the Central Government to provide the transport, boarding and lodging facilities to the tourists;

(c) whether the Central Government has any plan to provide better facilities to the tourist to attract them to the tourist spots of Madhya Pradesh; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAV RAO SCINDIA): (a) No,
Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d). Provision of facilities at tourist spots is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments. However, the Central Department of Tourism extends financial assistance to the State Governments on specific schemes based on their merit, availability of funds and *inter-se* priorities.

The Central Department of Tourism during the current year have already sanctioned the construction of six tourist bungalows, two tourist lodges, two wayside amenities and also provided financial assistance towards the development of camping sites, floodlighting of monuments, tented accommodation, water sports equipment and purchase of airconditioned coaches.

Bomb found in Indian Airlines flight in Calcutta

34. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether a bomb like object was found in Indian Airlines flight IC-401 in Calcutta on 27th January, 1992;

(b) if so, what are the details of the outcome of the enquiry conducted in this regard;

(c) whether Government have taken any measures to counter terrorist threat to plant bombs in Indian Airlines/Air India/Vayudoot planes; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAV RAO SCINDIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) On examination the object turned out to be one piece each of stone an thermocol weighing about 45 gms, wrapped in sheets of paper and tied by a plastic tape.